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Project Title:	
Development of a predictive model of gypsy moth egg phenology	
Permit Start Date:	Permit Expiration Date
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Study Start Date: Jan 01, 1989	Study End Date Jan 01, 1992
Study Status:	
Completed	
Activity Type: Other	
Subject/Discipline:	
Invertebrates (Insects, Other)	
Objectives:	
The objective of our study is to develop a model of gypsy moth egg phenology that will predict time of hatch, pattern of hatch and hatch success under a variety of environmental and parental (larval) conditions. We propose to describe the relationship between temperature and development rate for each	
of three recognized phases of egg development, the relationships between temperature thresholds of the three phases, possible constraints on	
development of one phase imposed by a preceding phase, and to develop a three phase temperature-dependent model of gypsy moth egg phenology and survival.	
Findings and Status:	
There were significant differences between egg masses from the three states in the amount of time necessary to satisty chilling requirements. Fiftieth	
percentile egg hatch occured approximately 5 days later for Virginia eggs than for Massachussetts eggs. Eggs from Pennsylvania were intermediate in their cold requirements. These differences may be the result of selection pressure away from individuals that would respond to warm temperatures in	
the early spring of southern regions.	
For this study, were one or more specimens collected and removed from the park but not destroyed during analyses?	
No	
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